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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents for a four-month extension of time, through and including March 27, 2002, to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed on September 27, 2001. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,440.00, the fee for requesting this extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,


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